YOUR GRAND COMMANDER'S SLOGAN
"SIR KNIGHTS:—IT'S TIME TO SHOW OUR COLORS — LET'S ALL STAND UP AND BE COUNTED"

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EMINENT SIRS AND SIR KNIGHTS:

To all the Commanders and Sir Knights who attended the All Masonic Night on June 3, 1961, I want to congratulate and thank. It was one of the finest showings of Templary that I have seen at an All Masonic Night.

I also want to thank the illustrious Potentate of Aleppo Temple, George Rowell, for making this possible, and to our Rt. Eminent Past Grand Commander, Robert Gardiner Wilson, Jr. I offer the congratulations and many thanks from all the Sir Knights of this Grand Commandery for a job well done. Having had the pleasure of working with the Right Eminent, I can well realize the many long hours and the amount of work that he has put in to make this event the success that it was. Sir Knights, these public appearances do much to promote Templary, and we should see to it that we take advantage of every opportunity to use this in getting candidates for the Orders of Templary.

Another outstanding event was Tuesday night at the Pops. Eminent Sir Harold Burr has as usual done an outstanding job. It has always been my belief that the more we get together with our Ladies and fraternize, the sooner and faster we will grow.

We are fast approaching our Triennial Conclave in August, and as you know we have a drill team going to Cleveland, Ohio this year. I sincerely hope that all who possibly can, will go and join in the parade on Saturday night and stay through so as to help support this team. It is the first time in many years that we have done this - in fact not since 1919, when Washington Commandery had a drill team in Philadelphia. Let us turn out and show that the oldest Grand Commandery is still ready and willing to STAND UP AND BE COUNTED.

Sir Knights, we have only this month in which to bring in applications and Knight them in order to have it count in this year. We will, in Grand Commandery Office, issue dispensations to receive ballot. Boston Commandery is running a Busy Man's Class on June 19 and 21. They will be most happy to do the work for us. Let us Knight every candidate, for if we don't we are apt to show a net loss in this jurisdiction for the first time in many years.

As we approach the summer vacation period, let me wish for each Sir Knight and his family a pleasant and happy summer.

We will look forward to fall when we will all return rested and ready to go for a bigger and better Templar year.

Courteously yours,

CLARENCE E. BOOTH
Grand Commander

EXCERPTS FROM PATRIOTIC ACTIVITIES COMMITTEES:

The Promotion of Patriotic Activities, a Templar objective, was established by Order of Grand Master, Robert B. Gaylord, Feb. 28th,1951, who realized that a successful campaign to promote the patriotic aspect of Templary must depend on effective work in the Commanderies.

The Patriotic Activities Committees in many of our Jurisdictions are doing good work. But when you listen on the Radio to the raving and rantings of some of our dictators heaping insults upon the United States, its leaders and Religious Organizations, with the hope of destroying everything a free world stands for - Liberty, Justice, and Peace, we realize that there is no better time for a Patriotic Committee to function, we strongly urge that a Patriotic Committee be appointed in every Commandery to work with such a committee of the Grand Commandery to attain real results.

Now is the time for all Sir Knights to come forth and let the world know that for which we stand, "hoping ever and praying always for the advent of that glorious day when swords shall be beaten into plow shares and spears into pruning hooks, when Nation shall not lift up sword against Nation, neither shall they learn war any more". It is up to the individual Sir Knight to make his own decision. "If we would build a finer society and a more enduring civilization, we shall forthwith join with the exalted leadership of State and Nation, in the practice of the eternal tenets spelled out by the Great Captain of our Salvation."

Among our early leaders, Daniel Webster said "God grants liberty only to those who have it, and are always ready to guard and defend it." Benjamin Franklin remarked at the close of the Constitutional Convention: "We have given you a Republic, if you can keep it." Let us as Templars remember "In Hoc Signo Vinces." Let us then go forward armed with faith in God, faith in the destiny of our Nation, faith in the great fundamental principles of this great Order that has played such an important part in shaping the lives of mankind, and the destiny of our Nation. What is our position as Templars in this eternal struggle? We are Free Masons and believers in the Christian Religion. As Americans we believe in the freedoms, freedom of speech, freedom of thought, freedom of conscience and freedom in Government. Templars are truth seekers. Truth is one of our great beliefs. Therefore, let us undertake to go forward with undaunted courage for our goal. Onward "Christian Soldiers".

George A. Weeks,
Chairman, Public Relations, G.E.

"I should like to tell you all of my decision to enter the Christian Ministry. I believe that the Commandery has been one of the most important factors in leading me to this decision. I shall do my preparation for the Episcopal Priesthood at Berkeley Divinity School in New Haven, Connecticut, starting next September.

Fraternally,

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THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLARS

May 8, 1961

REPORT OF TRIENNIAL COMMITTEE

Sir Knights:

At a meeting of the Triennial Committee of this Grand Commandery K.T. of Massachusetts and Rhode Island held on May 8, 1961 in Grand Commandery Headquarters, the Committee reviewed, in detail, Itineraries submitted to the Committee by various Tourist Agencies, and after a lengthy discussion on same, the Committee agreed that a SIDE TRIP would be impossible due to the existing railroad travel conditions and hotel accommodations.

The Committee was in accord that such a SIDE TRIP should not be undertaken for the Triennial to be held in Cleveland in August. Arrangements can be made for direct transportation, hotel accommodations to and from Cleveland.

Courteously submitted,
Clarence E. Booth, Chairman

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SUGGESTED ITINERARY
for
48th TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE
of
THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Convening in
CLEVELAND, OHIO
August 12th to August 17th, 1961

1961 — Daily Schedule

Fri., Aug. 11 - Leave BOSTON, South Station, at 3:40 p.m.E.D.T. on the "New England States" operated by New York Central Railroad.
Leave WORCESTER at 4:45 p.m. E.D.T.
Leave SPRINGFIELD at 5:48 p.m. E.D.T.
Arrive ALBANY, New York, at 8:25 p.m.
Leave ALBANY at 8:50 p.m. on the "Cleveland Limited" operated by New York Central Railroad.Train #57.
Bedrooms and Roomettes available.
Dinner provided on train.

Sat.,Aug.12 - Arrive CLEVELAND,Ohio,Union Terminal, at 8:15 a.m.
Sun.,Aug.13--Mon., Aug, 14)
Tues.,Aug.15 - In CLEVELAND attending the 48th Triennial Conclave
Wed.,Aug. 16) of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar.

Thur., Aug. 17 Leave CLEVELAND at 11:05 p.m. E.D.T. on Train #28 operated by New York Central Railroad.
Bedrooms and Roomettes available.

Fri., Aug. 18 Arrive Boston 11:55 P.M.

FOR PARTICULARS APPLY GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICE

COMMANDERY	QUOTA	8 MOS.	MAY	TOTAL
St. John's	39	7	0	7
Boston	75	27	5	32
Newburyport	21	12	0	12
Washington	6	3	1	4
Worcester County	48	36	5	41
Springfield	33	18	0	18
De Molay	55	28	1	29
Holy Sepulchre	24	4	0	4
Pilgrim	21	17	3	20
Palestine	14	5	0	5
Milford	11	4	0	4
St. Bernard	6	5	0	5
Calvary	39	10	0	10
Haverhill	26	41	0	41
Old Colony	14	6	No Notice	6
Sutton	37	6	1	7
Bethany	10	13	0	13
Winslow Lewis	13	7	0	7
Jerusalem	20	16	2	18
Hugh De Payens	39	8	0	8
St. Omer	20	3	0	3
Berkshire	19	28	8	36
Connecticut Valley	9	4	1	5
Woonsocket	10	7	2	9
Godfrey de Bouillon	9	14	0	14
Joseph Warren	11	1	0	1
Narragansett	13	5	0	5
Bristol	18	14	2	16
Northampton	8	1	5	6
South Shore	10	14	0	14
Trinity	13	4	1	5
Natick	19	7	4	11
Coeur de Lion	25	21	1	22
Gethsemane	31	11	0	11
Olivet	28	8	0	8
Athol	9	0	0	0
Bay Srare	25	9	0	9
Cyprus	11	11	1	12
St. Paul	7	1	0	1
Beauseant	21	4	0	4
Cambridge	10	17	3	20
Bethlehem	12	7	0	7
Orange	5	7	1	8
Ivanhoe	17	4	0	4
Quincy	19	5	0	5
Temple	13	24	0	24
St. Andrew	11	9	0	9
Reading	22	17	2	19
Thomas Smith Webb	13	13	3	16
Sir Galahad	11	6	0	6
Total	1,000	549	52	601

1960-61 Monthly Objective Necessary to Reach Quota

	Obj.	Act.
Sept.	52	47
Oct.	137	92
Nov.	76	44
Dec.	91	60
Jan.	104	52
Feb.	138	78
Mar.	118	73
Apr.	126	103
May	82	52
June	76	

Accumulative

	Obj.	Act.
Sept.	52	47
Oct.	189	139
Nov.	265	183
Dec.	356	243
Jan.	460	295
Feb.	598	373
Mar.	716	446
Apr.	842	549
May	924	601
June	1000	

Comparison

	1961	1960	1959	1958
Sept.	47	44	19	45
Oct.	133	168	96	140
Nov.	183	221	141	221
Dec.	243	306	225	269
Jan.	295	383	293	349
Feb.	373	492	419	430
Mar.	446	608	495	511
Apr.	549	678	619	613
May	601	721	688	693
June		769	768	744

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Sir Knights:

We need every possible candidate this year. You still can get special dispensations from the Grand Recorder for voting and can include your candidates in a "clean-up" class, arranged by Grand Commandery, to receive all three Orders in one day in the latter part of June. At the end of May, Cambridge Commandery is leading with 200% of quota and Berkshire is second with 189%. Nine commanderies need only four or less petitions each to make their quotas! All commanderies can add petitions in June!

J. Leroy Jones, Director
Membership Progress & Publicity